- (b) *Precipitation conditions*. For precipitation conditions, the following apply:
- (1) The airplane must have a means to maintain a clear portion of the windshield, during precipitation conditions, sufficient for both pilots to have a sufficiently extensive view along the flight path in normal flight attitudes of the airplane. This means must be designed to function, without continuous attention on the part of the crew, in—
- (i) Heavy rain at speeds up to 1.5 $V_{\mbox{\footnotesize SRI}}$ with lift and drag devices retracted; and
- (ii) The icing conditions specified in Appendix C of this part and the following icing conditions specified in Appendix O of this part, if certification for flight in icing conditions is sought:
- (A) For airplanes certificated in accordance with §25.1420(a)(1), the icing conditions that the airplane is certified to safely exit following detection.
- (B) For airplanes certificated in accordance with §25.1420(a)(2), the icing conditions that the airplane is certified to safely operate in and the icing conditions that the airplane is certified to safely exit following detection.
- (C) For airplanes certificated in accordance with §25.1420(a)(3) and for airplanes not subject to §25.1420, all icing conditions.
- (2) No single failure of the systems used to provide the view required by paragraph (b)(1) of this section must cause the loss of that view by both pilots in the specified precipitation conditions.
- (3) The first pilot must have a window that—
- (i) Is openable under the conditions prescribed in paragraph (b)(1) of this section when the cabin is not pressurized:
- (ii) Provides the view specified in paragraph (b)(1) of this section; and
- (iii) Provides sufficient protection from the elements against impairment of the pilot's vision.
- (4) The openable window specified in paragraph (b)(3) of this section need not be provided if it is shown that an area of the transparent surface will remain clear sufficient for at least one pilot to land the airplane safely in the event of—

- (i) Any system failure or combination of failures which is not extremely improbable, in accordance with §25.1309, under the precipitation conditions specified in paragraph (b)(1) of this section.
- (ii) An encounter with severe hail, birds, or insects.
- (c) Internal windshield and window fogging. The airplane must have a means to prevent fogging of the internal portions of the windshield and window panels over an area which would provide the visibility specified in paragraph (a) of this section under all internal and external ambient conditions, including precipitation conditions, in which the airplane is intended to be operated.
- (d) Fixed markers or other guides must be installed at each pilot station to enable the pilots to position themselves in their seats for an optimum combination of outside visibility and instrument scan. If lighted markers or guides are used they must comply with the requirements specified in §25.1381.

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§25.775 Windshields and windows.

- (a) Internal panes must be made of nonsplintering material.
- (b) Windshield panes directly in front of the pilots in the normal conduct of their duties, and the supporting structures for these panes, must withstand, without penetration, the impact of a four-pound bird when the velocity of the airplane (relative to the bird along the airplane's flight path) is equal to the value of V_C , at sea level, selected under §25.335(a).
- (c) Unless it can be shown by analysis or tests that the probability of occurrence of a critical windshield fragmentation condition is of a low order, the airplane must have a means to minimize the danger to the pilots from flying windshield fragments due to bird impact. This must be shown for each transparent pane in the cockpit that—

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- (1) Appears in the front view of the airplane;
- (2) Is inclined 15 degrees or more to the longitudinal axis of the airplane; and
- (3) Has any part of the pane located where its fragmentation will constitute a hazard to the pilots.
- (d) The design of windshields and windows in pressurized airplanes must be based on factors peculiar to high altitude operation, including the effects of continuous and cyclic pressurization loadings, the inherent characteristics of the material used, and the effects of temperatures and temperature differentials. The windshield and window panels must be capable of withstanding the maximum cabin pressure differential loads combined with critical aerodynamic pressure and temperature effects after any single failure in the installation or associated systems. It may be assumed that, after a single failure that is obvious to the flight crew (established under §25.1523), the cabin pressure differential is reduced from the maximum, in accordance with appropriate operating limitations, to allow continued safe flight of the airplane with a cabin pressure altitude of not more than 15,000 feet.
- (e) The windshield panels in front of the pilots must be arranged so that, assuming the loss of vision through any one panel, one or more panels remain available for use by a pilot seated at a pilot station to permit continued safe flight and landing.

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§25.777 Cockpit controls.

- (a) Each cockpit control must be located to provide convenient operation and to prevent confusion and inadvertent operation.
- (b) The direction of movement of cockpit controls must meet the requirements of §25.779. Wherever practicable, the sense of motion involved in the operation of other controls must correspond to the sense of the effect of the operation upon the airplane or upon the part operated. Controls of a variable nature using a rotary motion must move clockwise from the off posi-

tion, through an increasing range, to the full on position.

- (c) The controls must be located and arranged, with respect to the pilots' seats, so that there is full and unrestricted movement of each control without interference from the cockpit structure or the clothing of the minimum flight crew (established under §25.1523) when any member of this flight crew, from 5'2" to 6'3" in height, is seated with the seat belt and shoulder harness (if provided) fastened.
- (d) Identical powerplant controls for each engine must be located to prevent confusion as to the engines they control.
- (e) Wing flap controls and other auxiliary lift device controls must be located on top of the pedestal, aft of the throttles, centrally or to the right of the pedestal centerline, and not less than 10 inches aft of the landing gear control.
- (f) The landing gear control must be located forward of the throttles and must be operable by each pilot when seated with seat belt and shoulder harness (if provided) fastened.
- (g) Control knobs must be shaped in accordance with §25.781. In addition, the knobs must be of the same color, and this color must contrast with the color of control knobs for other purposes and the surrounding cockpit.
- (h) If a flight engineer is required as part of the minimum flight crew (established under §25.1523), the airplane must have a flight engineer station located and arranged so that the flight crewmembers can perform their functions efficiently and without interfering with each other.

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§ 25.779 Motion and effect of cockpit controls.

Cockpit controls must be designed so that they operate in accordance with the following movement and actuation:

- (a) Aerodynamic controls:
- (1) Primary.

Controls	Motion and effect				
Aileron	Right	(clockwise)	for	right	wing
Elevator	Rearward for nose up.				